

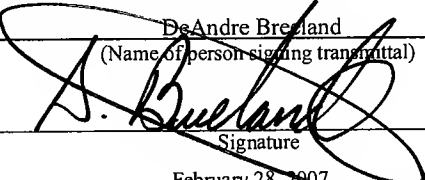
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Satoru Maeda, et al.
Serial No. : 09/996,019
For : INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD AND
APPARATUS AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR
CONTROLLING AND SIMPLIFYING A SIGN-UP
OPERATION OF AN APPARATUS OVER A
NETWORK (AS AMENDED)
Filed : November 28, 2001
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on December 1, 2006, having a
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on March 1, 2007, please amend the
above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.